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## Press Release

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The Sheriff's office has experienced a significant increase in residential and commercial burglaries in the Town of Harpswell. During the months of September and October there were 6 reported burglaries. From November 1, to date, that number has increased by 11 for a total of 17 since the beginning of September.

Most of the reported burglaries are occurring during the daylight hours when the owners/occupants were away. Five of the burglaries were reported to be unoccupied camps in the Abner Point area. Four of the reported incidents occurred to non-residential structures.

Most of the incidents occurred to unlocked/unsecured structures. Of great concern is that 3 rifles have been reported stolen.

The Cumberland County Sheriff's Office would like to remind residents to take the time to secure their properties whenever they are unoccupied. We ask residents to be extra vigilant and report any suspicious activity they may observe.

Any questions can be referred to Captain Don Goulet, 774.1444 ext. 2110.